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For: Hydroentanglement Of
Continuous Polymer
Filaments

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action mailed February 12, 2002, please amend the
above-identified application for patent as follows.

In The Claims:

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1. (Three Times Amended) A nonwoven fabric [comprising a continuous
web] consisting of substantially endless thermoplastic melt extruded filaments having a
denier of 0.5 to 3, wherein said filaments are hydroentangled in the form of interengaged
packed loops, with the filaments being free of breaking, wrapping and knotting, and
wherein said hydroentangled web has a cross machine elongation value in excess of
100%.

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1213. (Three Times Amended) A non[-]woven fabric [comprising a continuous
web] consisting of substantially endless melt extruded thermoplastic filaments having a
denier of about 1.0 to 2.5, wherein said filaments are hydroentangled in the form of
interengaged packed loops, with the filaments being substantially free of breaking,

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